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Remarks/Arguments

The foregoing amendments to the claims are of formal nature, and do not add new matter. Claims 119-131 are pending in this application and are rejected on various grounds. Claims 127-128 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 119-124 have been amended with the functional recitation: "wherein, the nucleic acid encoding said polypeptide is amplified in adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas of the lung." Claim 130 has been amended for proper claim dependency. The rejections to the presently pending claims are respectfully traversed.

Specification

The disclosure was objected to by the Examiner as containing "embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code." The foregoing amendment to the specification which deleted all embedded hyperlinks, is believed to overcome the present objections.

In addition, amendments to the specification have incorporated the requisite assurances that "all restrictions imposed by the depositor on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of the pertinent U.S. patent."

Accordingly, Applicants believe that all objections to the specification has been overcome.

Continuity

The Examiner asserts that Applicants have not complied with conditions to receive benefit of an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) because allegedly, the provisional applications listed in the first paragraph of the instant application do not refer to SEQ ID NO: 351 or 350, PRO1153 or Figure 246. Applicants respectfully traverse.

Applicants submit that they rely on the gene amplification assay for patentable utility of the PRO1153 molecule and its antibodies, which was first disclosed in U.S. Provisional Application 60/141037, filed June 23, 1999, priority to which has been claimed in this application. Applicants note that the sequences disclosed in the U.S. Provisional Application 60/141037 have a different sequence listing and a different Figure numbering from that of the

current application; therefore, the sequence of PRO1153 is listed as SEQ ID NO: 49, Figure 36 in Application 60/141037. Hence, Applicants are entitled to the benefit of the above provisional application and accordingly, to an effective filing date of at least **June 23, 1999**. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider this application's priority based on this clarification.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 101 and 112, first paragraph

Claims 119-131 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 allegedly "because the claimed invention is not supported by either a specific and substantial asserted utility or a well established utility." Claims 119-124 are further rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph allegedly "since the claimed invention is not supported by either a specific and substantial asserted utility or a well established utility, one skilled in the art would not know how to use the claimed invention".

The Examiner asserts that the specification does not disclose a function for the polypeptides of SEQ ID NO: 351. The Examiner further asserts that "a slight increase in clone numbers in a cancerous tissue is no doubt due to an increased number of chromosomes, a very common characteristic of cancerous and non-cancerous epithelial cells" and quotes articles like Hittelman *et al.* and Crowell *et al.* to demonstrate this. Thus, the Examiner concludes that the asserted utility is not substantial. The Examiner further quotes Pennica *et al.*, and Haynes *et al.* to show that "it does not necessarily follow that an increase in gene copy number results in increased gene expression and increase protein expression, such that the antibodies would be useful diagnostically or as a target for cancer drug development". The Examiner further asserts that no utility for PRO1153 exists even if the specification implies a credible, specific and substantial utility for PRO1153 based on structural identity and quotes exemplary articles like Skolnick *et al.*, Bork *et al.*, Doerks *et al.*, Hesselgesser *et al.* and Bleasle *et al.*, to show that "function cannot be predicted based solely on structural similarity to a protein found in sequence databases." For the reasons outlined below, Applicants respectfully disagree.

Utility Guidelines

According to the Utility Examination Guidelines (“Utility Guidelines”), 66 Fed. Reg. 1092 (2001) an invention complies with the utility requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 101, if it has at least one asserted “specific, substantial, and credible utility” or a “well-established utility.”

Under the Utility Guidelines, a utility is “specific” when it is particular to the subject matter claimed. For example, it is generally not enough to state that a nucleic acid is useful as a diagnostic without also identifying the conditions that is to be diagnosed.

The requirement of “substantial utility” defines a “real world” use, and derives from the Supreme Court’s holding in *Brenner v. Manson*, 383 U.S. 519, 534 (1966) stating that “The basic *quid pro quo* contemplated by the Constitution and the Congress for granting a patent monopoly is the benefit derived by the public from an invention with substantial utility.” In explaining the “substantial utility” standard, M.P.E.P. 2107.01 cautions, however, that **Office personnel must be careful not to interpret the phrase "immediate benefit to the public"** or similar formulations used in certain court decisions to mean that products or services based on the claimed invention must be "currently available" to the public in order to satisfy the utility requirement. “Rather, any reasonable use that an applicant has identified for the invention that can be viewed as providing a public benefit should be accepted as sufficient, at least with regard to defining a "substantial" utility.” (M.P.E.P. 2107.01, emphasis added.) Indeed, the Guidelines for Examination of Applications for Compliance with the Utility Requirement, set forth in M.P.E.P. 2107 II (B) (1) gives the following instruction to patent examiners: “If the (A)pplicant has asserted that the claimed invention is useful for any particular practical purpose . . . and the assertion would be considered credible by a person of ordinary skill in the art, do not impose a rejection based on lack of utility.”

Finally, the Utility Guidelines restate the Patent Office’s long established position that any asserted utility has to be “credible.” “Credibility is assessed from the perspective of one of ordinary skill in the art in view of the disclosure and any other evidence of record . . . that is probative of the Applicant’s assertions.” (M.P.E.P. 2107 II (B) (1) (ii)) Such standard is presumptively satisfied unless the logic underlying the assertion is seriously flawed, or if the

facts upon which the assertion is based are inconsistent with the logic underlying the assertion (Revised Interim Utility Guidelines Training Materials, 1999).

To overcome the presumption of truth based on an assertion of utility by the Applicant, the Examiner must establish that **it is more likely than not** that one of ordinary skill in the art would doubt the truth of the statement of utility. **Absolute predictability is not a requirement.** Only after the Examiner has made a proper *prima facie* showing of lack of utility, does the burden of rebuttal shift to the applicant. The issue will then be decided on the totality of evidence.

Arguments

Initially, Applicants submit that an assertion for utility of PRO1153 is not based on structural similarity. Applicants add that the articles cited by the Examiner that discuss utility based on structural similarity, namely, Skolnick *et al.*, Bork *et al.*, Doerks *et al.*, and Hesselgesser *et al.*, have no bearing on the issue of utility. In the present case, Applicants have shown experimentally that the DNA encoding for PRO1153 is amplified in human lung adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas and Applicants rely on this gene amplification data for patentable utility of this case. Thus the claimed utility for the PRO1153 protein is based on its use in the diagnosis of adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas of the lung, as explained below.

Gene amplification is an essential mechanism for oncogene activation and the assay is well-described in Example 170, page 539 of the present application. The gene amplification data shows that genomic DNA was isolated from a variety of primary cancers and cancer cell lines listed in Table 9 (especially page 552, Table 9B) which includes primary lung cancers of the type and stage indicated in Table 8 (page 546). As a negative control, DNA was isolated from the cells of ten normal healthy individuals, which was pooled and used as a control (page 539, lines 27-29). Gene amplification was monitored using real-time quantitative TaqMan™ PCR and the results are set forth in Table 9B. As explained in the passage on page 539, lines 37-39, "the results of TaqMan™ PCR are reported in ΔCt units. **One unit** corresponds to one PCR cycle or approximately a **2-fold amplification**, relative to control, two units correspond to 4-fold, 3 units to 8-fold amplification and so on" (emphasis added). Table 9B indicates that PRO1153 showed

approximately 1.01-1.52 ΔCt units which corresponds to $2^{1.01}$ - $2^{1.52}$ - fold amplification or **2.013 fold to 2.868 -fold** amplification in adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas of the lung, which is significant and thus the PRO1153 gene has utility as a diagnostic marker of adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas of human lung.

A prima facie case of lack of utility has not been established

The Examiner bases her conclusion, that increases in gene copy number does not reliably correlate with increased gene expression or polypeptide expression, on exemplary literature reports like Pennica *et al.*, and Haynes *et al.*, and hence concludes that PRO1153 polypeptides lack utility.

According to the Examiner, Pennica *et al.* teaches that "An analysis of *WISP*-1 gene amplification and expression in human colon tumors **showed a correlation between DNA amplification and over-expression**, In contrast, *WISP*-2 DNA was amplified in colon tumors, but its mRNA expression was significantly reduced in the majority of tumors compared with expression in normal colonic mucosa from the same patient." (Emphasis added). Firstly, Applicants draw attention to Pennica's showing that "a correlation between DNA amplification and over-expression exists for the *WISP*-1 gene" in 84% of the tumors examined. While Pennica discloses a lack of correlation for the *WISP*-2 gene, Pennica teaches nothing regarding such a lack of correlation in genes in general. That is, Pennica's teachings are specific for the *WISP* family of genes, and are not directed to genes in general. The Utility Guidelines requires that for a *prima facie* showing of lack of utility, the Examiner has to provides evidence that it is **more likely than not** that a lack of correlation between protein expression and gene amplification exists, in general. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Pennica teaches nothing of the correlation between gene amplification and polypeptide over-expression in general.

The Examiner adds that "Haynes *et al.* studied 80 proteins... and found no strong correlation between proteins and transcript levels." Applicants respectfully traverse and point out that, on the contrary, Haynes teaches that "**there was a general trend** but no strong correlation between protein [expression] and transcript levels" (Emphasis added). Haynes studied 80 *yeast* proteins to show that "protein levels cannot be accurately predicted from the level of the

corresponding mRNA transcript" (Emphasis added) (see page 1863, paragraph 2.1, last line). For example, in Figure 1, there is a positive correlation between mRNA and protein amongst **most** of the 80 yeast proteins studied but the correlation is "not linear" and hence, "one cannot **accurately** predict protein levels from mRNA levels." In fact, very few data points deviated or scattered away from the expected normal or showed a lack of correlation between mRNA: protein levels. In fact, the Haynes data, meets the "more likely than not standard" and shows that a positive correlation exists between mRNA and protein. Thus, Applicants submit that the Examiner's rejection is based on a misunderstanding of the scientific data presented in Haynes *et al.*

In conclusion, the Examiner has not shown a lack of correlation between gene amplification: polypeptide over-expression, in general. Since the standard is not absolute certainty, based on Pennica alone, a *prima facie* showing of lack of utility has not been made in this instance.

It is "more likely than not" for amplified genes to have increased mRNA and protein levels

Applicants submit further exemplary articles to show that, contrary to what the Examiner asserts, just as in Haynes, the art indicates that, generally, if a gene is amplified in cancer, it is **more likely than not** that the encoded protein will be expressed at an elevated level. For example, Orntoft *et al.* (Mol. and Cell. Proteomics, 2002, Vol.1, pages 37-45) studied transcript levels of 5600 genes in malignant bladder cancers many of which were linked to the gain or loss of chromosomal material using an array-based method. Orntoft *et al.* showed that there was a gene dosage effect and taught that "in general (18 of 23 cases) chromosomal areas with more than 2-fold gain of DNA showed a corresponding increase in mRNA transcripts" (see column 1, abstract). In addition, Hyman *et al.* (Cancer Res., 2002, Vol. 62, pages 6240-45) showed, using CGH analysis and cDNA microarrays which compared DNA copy numbers and mRNA expression of over 12,000 genes in breast cancer tumors and cell lines, that there was "evidence of a prominent global influence of copy number changes on gene expression levels." (see page 6244, column 1, last paragraph). Additional supportive teachings were also provided by Pollack *et al.*, (PNAS, 2002, Vol. 99, pages 12963-12968) who studied a series of primary human breast tumors and showed that "...62% of highly amplified genes show moderately or highly elevated

expression, and DNA copy number influences gene expression across a wide range of DNA copy number alterations (deletion, low-, mid- and high-level amplification), and that on average, a 2-fold change in DNA copy number is associated with a corresponding 1.5-fold change in mRNA levels." Thus, these articles collectively teach that in general, gene amplification increases mRNA expression.

Also enclosed is a Declaration by Dr. Polakis, principal investigator of the Tumor Antigen Project of Genentech, Inc., the assignee of the present application to show that mRNA expression correlates well with protein levels, in general. As Dr. Polakis explains, the primary focus of the microarray project was to identify tumor cell markers useful as targets for both the diagnosis and treatment of cancer in humans. The scientists working on the project extensively rely on results of microarray experiments in their effort to identify such markers. As Dr. Polakis explains, using microarray analysis, Genentech scientists have identified approximately 200 gene transcripts (mRNAs) that are present in human tumor cells at significantly higher levels than in corresponding normal human cells. To date, they have generated antibodies that bind to about 30 of the tumor antigen proteins expressed from these differentially expressed gene transcripts and have used these antibodies to quantitatively determine the level of production of these tumor antigen proteins in both human cancer cells and corresponding normal cells. Having compared the levels of mRNA and protein in both the tumor and normal cells analyzed, they found a very good correlation between mRNA and corresponding protein levels. Specifically, in approximately 80% of their observations they have found that increases in the level of a particular mRNA correlates with changes in the level of protein expressed from that mRNA. While the proper legal standard is to show that the existence of correlation between mRNA and polypeptide levels is more likely than not, the showing of approximately 80% correlation for the molecules tested in the Polakis Declaration greatly exceed this legal standard. Based on these experimental data and his vast scientific experience of more than 20 years, Dr. Polakis states that, for human genes, increased mRNA levels typically correlate with an increase in abundance of the encoded protein. He further confirms that "it remains a central dogma in molecular biology that increased mRNA levels are predictive of corresponding increased levels of the encoded protein."

Taken together, although there are some examples in the art of genes that do not fit within the central dogma of molecular biology, these instances are exceptions rather than the rule. In the vast majority of amplified genes, the teachings in the art, as exemplified by Orntoft *et al.*, Hyman

et al., Pollack *et al.*, and the Polakis declaration, overwhelmingly show that gene amplification influences gene expression at the mRNA and protein levels. Thus, one of skill in the art would reasonably expect in this instance, based on the amplification data for the PRO1153 gene, that the PRO1153 protein is concomitantly overexpressed. Thus, Applicants submit that the PRO1153 proteins and nucleic acids have utility in the diagnosis of cancer and based on such a utility, one of skill in the art would know exactly how to use the protein for diagnosis of cancer.

Claimed proteins would have diagnostic utility even if the protein were not overexpressed

Even assuming *arguendo* that, there is no correlation between gene amplification and increased mRNA/protein expression for PRO1153, which Applicants submit is not true, a polypeptide encoded by a gene that is amplified in cancer would still have a credible, specific and substantial utility. In support, Applicants submit a Declaration by Avi Ashkenazi, Ph.D., an expert in the field of cancer biology and an inventor of the instant application. Dr. Avi Ashkenazi's Declaration explains that:

even when amplification of a cancer marker gene does not result in significant over-expression of the corresponding gene product, this very absence of gene product over-expression still provides significant information for cancer diagnosis and treatment. Thus, if over-expression of the gene product does not parallel gene amplification in certain tumor types but does so in others, then parallel monitoring of gene amplification and gene product over-expression enables more accurate tumor classification and hence better determination of suitable therapy. In addition, absence of over-expression is crucial information for the practicing clinician. If a gene is amplified but the corresponding gene product is not over-expressed, the clinician accordingly will decide not to treat a patient with agents that target that gene product.

Applicants thus submit that simultaneous testing of gene amplification and gene product over-expression enables more accurate tumor classification, even if the gene-product, the protein, is not over-expressed. This leads to better determination of a suitable therapy. Further, as explained in Dr. Ashkenazi's Declaration, absence of over-expression of the protein itself is crucial information for the practicing clinician. If a gene is amplified in a tumor, but the corresponding gene product is not over-expressed, the clinician need not treat a patient with

agents that target that gene product. This not only saves money, but further prevents unnecessary exposure of the patient to the side effects of gene product targeted agents.

This is further supported by the teachings of the attached article by Hanna and Mornin. The article teaches that the HER-2/neu gene has been shown to be amplified and/or over-expressed in 10%-30% of invasive breast cancers and in 40%-60% of intraductal breast carcinoma. Further, the article teaches that diagnosis of breast cancer includes testing both the amplification of the HER-2/neu gene (by FISH) as well as the over-expression of the HER-2/neu gene product (by IHC). Even when the protein is not over-expressed, the assay relying on both tests leads to a more accurate classification of the cancer and a more effective treatment of it.

In conclusion, Applicants have demonstrated a credible, specific and substantial asserted utility for the PRO1153 polypeptide based on the gene amplification results for the nucleic acid, for example, in detecting over-expression or absence of expression of PRO1153. In fact, the art also indicates that, if a gene is amplified in cancer, it is **more likely than not** that the encoded protein will also be expressed at an elevated level. Based on these discussions, one skilled in the art, at the time the application was filed, would know how to use the claimed polypeptides, without undue experimentation.

Thus, Applicants have demonstrated utility for the PRO1153 polypeptide as a tumor marker for lung adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas. Accordingly, the present rejections under 35 U.S.C. §101 and §112, first paragraph should be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112, first paragraph- Written description

Claims 119-131 are also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph because, according to the Examiner, the subject matter was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventors had possession of the claimed invention at the time of filing. Further, while the Examiner acknowledges that the specification teaches a polypeptide of (SEQ ID NO: 351), it is asserted that "(it) does not teach functional or structural characteristics of all claimed polypeptides. The description of one PRO polypeptide (SEQ ID NO: 351) is not adequate written description of an entire genus of functionally equivalent polypeptides." Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Legal standard for Written Description

The well-established test for sufficiency of support under the written description requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph is whether the disclosure "reasonably conveys to the artisan that the inventor had possession at that time of the later claimed subject matter." *In re Kaslow*, 707 F.2d 1366, 1375, 212 USPQ 1089, 1096 (Fed. Cir. 1983); see also *Vas-Cath, Inc. v. Mahurkar*, 935 F. 2d at 1563, 19 USPQ2d at 1116 (Fed. cir. 1991). The adequacy of written description support is a factual issue and is to be determined on a case-by-case basis. see e.g. *Vas-Cath, Inc. v. Mahurkar*, 935 F. 2d at 1563, 19 USPQ2d at 1116 (Fed. cir. 1991). The factual determination in a written description analysis depends on the **nature of the invention and the amount of knowledge imparted to those skilled in the art by the disclosure.** *Union Oil v. Atlantic Richfield Co.*, 208 F. 3d 989, 996 (Fed. Cir. 2000).

Arguments

As noted above, whether the Applicants were in possession of the invention as of the effective filing date of an application is a factual determination, reached by the consideration of a number of factors, including the level of knowledge and skill in the art, and the teaching provided by the specification. The inventor is not required to describe every single detail of his/her invention. An Applicant's disclosure obligation varies according to the art to which the invention pertains.

The instant invention, defined by the claims, concerns polypeptides having 80%, 85%, 90%, 95% or 99% sequence identity with the disclosed polypeptide sequence SEQ ID NO: 351 with the functional recitation: "wherein the nucleic acid encoding said polypeptide is amplified in adenocarcinomas or squamous cell carcinomas of the lung." The present invention pertains to the field of recombinant DNA/protein technology. It is well established that the level of skill in this field is very high since a representative person of skill is generally a Ph.D. scientist with several years of experience. Accordingly, the teaching imparted in the specification must be evaluated through the eyes of a highly skilled artisan as of the date the invention was made. Based on the detailed description of the cloning and expression of variants of PRO1153 in the specification, the description of the gene amplification assay and description of testing the ability of test variant polypeptides in the assay, the actual reduction to practice of sequence SEQ ID NO:

351 and the functional recitation in the instant claims, Applicants submit that one of skilled in the art would know that Applicants possessed the invention as claimed in the instant claims.

Hence, Applicants submit that this rejection should be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112, first paragraph- Deposit Rules

Claims 119-124 and 129-131 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The Examiner required that "elements required for practicing a claimed invention must be known and readily available to the public or obtainable by a repeatable method set forth in the specification."

Applicants submit that amendments to the specification have (1) the current ATCC address; and (2) incorporated the requisite assurances that "all restrictions imposed by the depositor on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of the pertinent U.S. patent." Thus, this rejection should be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112, second paragraph

Claims 119-131 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner contends that the claims are rendered indefinite because of "the phrase extracellular domain."

Without acquiescing to the propriety of this rejection and solely in the interest of expedited prosecution in this case, Applicants have canceled references to "extracellular domain" in the claims; that is, part (c) and (d) of the claims have been deleted for clarity and have canceled claims 127-128 without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the claims are definite and respectfully request that this rejection be withdrawn.

The present application is believed to be in *prima facie* condition for allowance, and an early action to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1641 (Attorney Docket No.: 39780-2730P1C31).

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DECLARATION OF AVI ASHKENAZI, Ph.D UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

I, Avi Ashkenazi, Ph.D. declare and say as follows: -

1. I am Director and Staff Scientist at the Molecular Oncology Department of Genentech, Inc., South San Francisco, CA 94080.
2. I joined Genentech in 1988 as a postdoctoral fellow. Since then, I have investigated a variety of cellular signal transduction mechanisms, including apoptosis, and have developed technologies to modulate such mechanisms as a means of therapeutic intervention in cancer and autoimmune disease. I am currently involved in the investigation of a series of secreted proteins over-expressed in tumors, with the aim to identify useful targets for the development of therapeutic antibodies for cancer treatment.
3. My scientific Curriculum Vitae, including my list of publications, is attached to and forms part of this Declaration (Exhibit A).
4. Gene amplification is a process in which chromosomes undergo changes to contain multiple copies of certain genes that normally exist as a single copy, and is an important factor in the pathophysiology of cancer. Amplification of certain genes (e.g., Myc or Her2/Neu)

gives cancer cells a growth or survival advantage relative to normal cells, and might also provide a mechanism of tumor cell resistance to chemotherapy or radiotherapy.

5. If gene amplification results in over-expression of the mRNA and the corresponding gene product, then it identifies that gene product as a promising target for cancer therapy, for example by the therapeutic antibody approach. Even in the absence of over-expression of the gene product, amplification of a cancer marker gene - as detected, for example, by the reverse transcriptase TaqMan® PCR or the fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH) assays - is useful in the diagnosis or classification of cancer, or in predicting or monitoring the efficacy of cancer therapy. An increase in gene copy number can result not only from intrachromosomal changes but also from chromosomal aneuploidy. It is important to understand that detection of gene amplification can be used for cancer diagnosis even if the determination includes measurement of chromosomal aneuploidy. Indeed, as long as a significant difference relative to normal tissue is detected, it is irrelevant if the signal originates from an increase in the number of gene copies per chromosome and/or an abnormal number of chromosomes.

6. I understand that according to the Patent Office, absent data demonstrating that the increased copy number of a gene in certain types of cancer leads to increased expression of its product, gene amplification data are insufficient to provide substantial utility or well established utility for the gene product (the encoded polypeptide), or an antibody specifically binding the encoded polypeptide. However, even when amplification of a cancer marker gene does not result in significant over-expression of the corresponding gene product, this very absence of gene product over-expression still provides significant information for cancer diagnosis and treatment. Thus, if over-expression of the gene product does not parallel gene amplification in certain tumor types but does so in others, then parallel monitoring of gene amplification and gene product over-expression enables more accurate tumor classification and hence better determination of suitable therapy. In addition, absence of over-expression is crucial information for the practicing clinician. If a gene is amplified but the corresponding gene product is not over-expressed, the clinician accordingly will decide not to treat a patient with agents that target that gene product.

7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information or belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so

made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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DECLARATION OF PAUL POLAKIS, Ph.D.

I, Paul Polakis, Ph.D., declare and say as follows:

1. I was awarded a Ph.D. by the Department of Biochemistry of the Michigan State University in 1984. My scientific Curriculum Vitae is attached to and forms part of this Declaration (Exhibit A).
2. I am currently employed by Genentech, Inc. where my job title is Staff Scientist. Since joining Genentech in 1999, one of my primary responsibilities has been leading Genentech's Tumor Antigen Project, which is a large research project with a primary focus on identifying tumor cell markers that find use as targets for both the diagnosis and treatment of cancer in humans.
3. As part of the Tumor Antigen Project, my laboratory has been analyzing differential expression of various genes in tumor cells relative to normal cells. The purpose of this research is to identify proteins that are abundantly expressed on certain tumor cells and that are either (i) not expressed, or (ii) expressed at lower levels, on corresponding normal cells. We call such differentially expressed proteins "tumor antigen proteins". When such a tumor antigen protein is identified, one can produce an antibody that recognizes and binds to that protein. Such an antibody finds use in the diagnosis of human cancer and may ultimately serve as an effective therapeutic in the treatment of human cancer.
4. In the course of the research conducted by Genentech's Tumor Antigen Project, we have employed a variety of scientific techniques for detecting and studying differential gene expression in human tumor cells relative to normal cells, at genomic DNA, mRNA and protein levels. An important example of one such technique is the well known and widely used technique of microarray analysis which has proven to be extremely useful for the identification of mRNA molecules that are differentially expressed in one tissue or cell type relative to another. In the course of our research using microarray analysis, we have identified approximately 200 gene transcripts that are present in human tumor cells at significantly higher levels than in corresponding normal human cells. To date, we have generated antibodies that bind to about 30 of the tumor antigen proteins expressed from these differentially expressed gene transcripts and have used these antibodies to quantitatively determine the level of production of these tumor antigen proteins in both human cancer cells and corresponding normal cells. We have then compared the levels of mRNA and protein in both the tumor and normal cells analyzed.
5. From the mRNA and protein expression analyses described in paragraph 4 above, we have observed that there is a strong correlation between changes in the level of mRNA present in any particular cell type and the level of protein

expressed from that mRNA in that cell type. In approximately 80% of our observations we have found that increases in the level of a particular mRNA correlates with changes in the level of protein expressed from that mRNA when human tumor cells are compared with their corresponding normal cells.

6. Based upon my own experience accumulated in more than 20 years of research, including the data discussed in paragraphs 4 and 5 above and my knowledge of the relevant scientific literature, it is my considered scientific opinion that for human genes, an increased level of mRNA in a tumor cell relative to a normal cell typically correlates to a similar increase in abundance of the encoded protein in the tumor cell relative to the normal cell. In fact, it remains a central dogma in molecular biology that increased mRNA levels are predictive of corresponding increased levels of the encoded protein. While there have been published reports of genes for which such a correlation does not exist, it is my opinion that such reports are exceptions to the commonly understood general rule that increased mRNA levels are predictive of corresponding increased levels of the encoded protein.

7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information or belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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